Village Council Monday, March 1, 2010 7:00 PM

Minutes

Call to Order: Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry called the meeting to order at 7pm.

<u>Pledge of Allegiance:</u> Mrs. Mershon led the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

John Bender Rick Deeds Steve Donahue Bobbie Mershon

Marilyn Rush-Ekelberry Leah Turner James Wynkoop

Approval of Minutes:

Mrs. Mershon moved to approve the minutes from February 15th, 2010; seconded by Dr. Bender.

VOTE: AYES Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. Turner

Mr. Deeds, Mr. Wynkoop

NAYS

Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry abstained. Motion carried.

Communications & Petitions:

A letter was received from Annie Fawley commending the Street Crews for their snow removal.

A memo was received from the Charter Review Commission requesting the Mayor's and Council's presence at the CRC March 18, 2010 meeting.

A letter was received from Columbia Gas of Ohio regarding a proposed change filed with the PUCO regarding a change from the Gas Cost Recovery commodity rate adjustment to the Standard Service Offer.

Village Residents Comments:

Five-minute limit per person

Michele Ballinger, of 7194 Old Creek Lane, stated that she has been a 13 year resident and is disappointed and frustrated with the recent water bill due date change. She doesn't believe that it should have been in the sealed envelope, which did not allow her to see the new due date and also believes that the Village is overpaying in postage in duplicating with the envelope. She would appreciate more advance notice of the change.

ORDINANCES:

THIRD READING

Sponsor: Mr. Donahue

O-10-02A AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2010 APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 61-09

Amendment #1

Mr. Donahue read the ordinance and moved to adopt Ordinance 09-10; seconded by Mrs. Turner.

VOTE: AYES Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. Turner

Mr. Deeds, Mr. Wynkoop, Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry

NAYS

Motion carried.

FIRST READING

Sponsor: Mr. Donahue

O-10-03A AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A PARTICIPATION

AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF SODIUM CHLORIDE (ROCK SALT) FOR THE 2010-2011 WINTER

SEASON AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Mr. Donahue read the ordinance. First reading only.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Ebert stated that the Mayor's Retreat was a success and he thanked Mr. Donahue and Mr. Wynkoop for attending. Mr. Donahue stated that a brief version should be included in the Committee of the Whole meeting. Discussion ensued as to whether all Council members should attend.

Mr. Donahue asked about the SWACO response. Mr. Hollins stated he would forward some information along to clarify that.

Fairfield County Sheriff:

Sgt. Kern read the report and stated that they have ordered a new cruiser, which was less expensive this year than last.

Village Solicitor:

Mr. Hollins stated that the Charter Commission wants some information regarding the last proposed charter changes. They also would like to invite all of Staff to their meetings. Mr. Hollins will help anyone draft their ideas for submission to the Commission.

No need for executive session.

Finance Director:

Ms. Osborn asked if the Rules Committee meeting should be re-scheduled for the 15th of March. It was decided that it would be. At least two of the P&Z members will not be at the COW meeting on the 29th of March.

The Main Street National Conference registration is due by the 19th of March. There is only money for one person to attend.

The 2009 Annual Financial Report is finished and will be in everyone's mailboxes tomorrow.

Ms. Osborn explained the water billing cycle and the changes made and discussion ensued.

An RFP went out for umbrella insurance and the proposals are due by the 19th of March.

Public Works Director:

Mr. Peoples stated that February was a record month for snow fall and the crew put in much overtime. The received many compliments, as well as complaints. He encouraged the residents to be patient and know they are doing as much as they can to make the streets safe.

Mr. Deeds mentioned that it is the resident's responsibility to clear the path to their mailbox.

Development Director:

Mr. Strayer gave a speech on renewable energy in Austin, Texas last week at the Renewable Energy Conference and it went well. This week, he will be going to Dallas with Mid Ohio Development Exchange and the Columbus Chamber to meet with site selectors in Dallas and with Hillwood (Ross Perot's development company).

Demolition of the Davis Paints building may start next week.

A land lead was received from a Real Estate Broker.

TIRC meetings will be March 30th and the annual CRA Tour is scheduled for March 18th.

Community Affairs Director:

Ms. Hoover met with Kim Christian and has been planning for the 2010 pool season. Music and Art in the Park planning is in the works.

Council Reports:

Old Town Committee Monday, March 8, 2010 at 5:45 PM Finance Committee Monday, April 5, 2010 at 5:45 PM Service Committee Monday, March 15, 2010 at 5:45 PM Safety Committee Monday, March 8, 2010 at 5:00 PM

CW Joint Recreation District Representative had no information.

CW Human Services Representative- meeting March 4th 9am to go over transportation issues Main Street Canal Winchester Representative

- Heritage Ohio annual evaluation went well
- The April Gala has been cancelled.
- Farmers Market booths will be on the south side of High and west side of Waterloo.
- Summer times will be May August and a Fall Harvest market dates in October

Canal Winchester Industry & Commerce Corporation Representative Rules Committee Representative Monday, March 15th at 5pm

Charter Review Commission Thursday, March 18, 2010 6:30 PM

Committee of Whole Monday, March 29, 2009 at 6:30 PM 1st hour with P & Z

Parks Committee Wednesday, March 24th at 6:30pm

Old/New Business:

Mr. Deeds asked about the water treatment process problems that Pickerington is having. Mr. Peoples explained the differences between our situation and theirs.

Adjourn to Executive Session:

Not needed at this time.

<u>Adjournme</u>				
Mr. Donahu	ue moved to	adjourn the meeting; seco	onded by Mrs. Mershon.	
VOTE: AYES Dr. Bender, Mrs. Mershon, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. Tu			ershon, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. Turner	
	Mr. Deeds, Mr. Wynkoop, Mrs. Rush-Ekelberry			
	NAYS			
Clerk of Council			President of Council	
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Date			Mayor	

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